
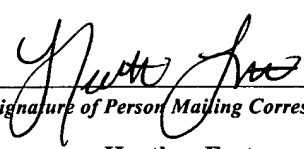


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Invention: <b>MANUFACTURING METHOD FOR OPTICAL COUPLER/SPLITTER AND METHOD FOR ADJUSTING OPTICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF PLANAR LIGHTWAVE CIRCUIT DEVICE</b>					
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 30, 2004, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.